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Sir:

**DECLARATION OF NANCY HILL DOWLING, ESQ. UNDER 37 CFR § 1.132**

I, Nancy Hill Dowling, Esq., make this Declaration in support of the above-identified patent application, and declare as follows:

1. I the undersigned, Nancy Hill Dowling, Esq., am an employee of World Kitchen, Inc. I have read and am familiar with the following World Kitchen catalogs: Coming Consumer Products Company Catalog, 1999, 50 pages; World Kitchen Catalog, 2000, 64 pages; World Kitchen Oven/Bakeware Catalog, 2001, 43 pages; and World Kitchen Oven/Bakeware Catalog, 2002, 40 pages. These product catalogs are attached hereto as Exhibits A-D.

2. The Information Disclosure Statement submitted in the above-identified application on May 7, 2002 included a document listed on the PTO Form 1449 as CORNINGWARE® FRENCH WHITE Cookware, Comingware Housewares Catalog, 1999, pp. 1-4, cited as cite no. BJ. A copy is attached hereto as Exhibit E. The first page mistakenly includes a handwritten date of 1999. These pages are in fact copies of pages from the World

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Kitchen 2001 Oven/Bakeware Catalog, and therefore, were misdated on the PTO Form 1449 submitted with the May 7, 2002 Information Disclosure Statement.

3. The products described in Exhibit E on p. 4, namely the "FRENCH WHITE NEXT GENERATION OPEN STOCK," including product nos. 1039819, 1039815, 1039817, 1039816 and 1039818, were not advertised in a catalog prior to this World Kitchen 2001 Oven/Bakeware catalog and were not offered for sale prior to 2001.

I, the undersigned, declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under §1001 of title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of this document and any patent which may issue from the above-identified patent application.

April 2, 2003  
Date

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